Mr. M. K. Raman.—I want to know whether there was any special reason for this appointment.

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—Vytheswara Ayyar was exempted from the graduate rule long before these graduates were born; I mean that he was exempted long ago.

President.—Even supposing there are qualified hands, is the Government precluded from appointing graduates?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—Not at all.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—In the face of the Diwan's Proceedings that only graduates should be appointed to the Sub-Inspector's grade, I ask whether one can be appointed to the Sub-Inspector's place, if one is not a graduate?

President.—Rules have got exceptions.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—My question is what was the special circumstance in this case?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—He has passed the Pleader's Test and other tests, and he is also exempted.

President.—What is the reason he asks.

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—I can tell you. A Station House officer or a Head-constable, if he is found to be a deserving hand, and if the Head of the Department finds it necessary to get him exempted so that he might be made a Sub-Inspector, will be recommended to the Government for exemption.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—The date of his exemption?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—I am sorry I do not know.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—Was Head-constable 103 placed in charge of the Palayannur Station?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—He was in charge of the Station.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—My question is whether he was in charge as a Sub-Inspector.

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—No.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—Sub-division (i). There is a graduate in service. Is that graduate put in charge of a Station?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—No.

Head-constables in the Police Department.

487. Mr. M. K. Raman.—Will the Government be pleased to answer the following:—

(a) how many Head-constables were there in the Police Department from among the non-caste Hindus at the time the present Commissioner of Police assumed charge;

(b) how many are there now;

(c) what was the grade of these Head-constables then and what are they now;

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(d) how many new appointments were made as Head-constables and as constables by the present Commissioner;

(e) how many caste-Hindus, non-caste Hindus, Christians and Muhammadans are there in each;

(f) how many applicants were there from among the non-caste Hindus for the post of Head constables during the regime of the present Commissioner and how many for the post of constables;

(g) what are the respective places to which the Head-constables of non-caste Hindus are posted for duty now?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—(a) Five.

(b) Five.

(c) One 3rd and four 4th grades. Now also one 3rd and four 4th grades.

(d) Nil; and 40.

(e) Fourteen Nayars, 12 non-caste Hindus, 10 Christians and 4 Muhammadans.

(f) Seven for Head-constables' and 19 for constables' posts.

(g) Ernakulam Cusba, Kandakkadavu, Narakkal, Cranganur and Chittur.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—Sub-divisions (e) and (f). There were 19 applicants for the constables' posts. Was any one of them taken? I understand 40 appointments were made, out of which 14 are Nayars, 12 non-caste Hindus, 10 Christians and 4 Muhammadans. I want to know whether, out of these 19 applicants, any one was taken?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—Twelve non-caste Hindus were taken, and that is given in the answer.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—I want to know whether it is from this 19?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—Yes.

488. **Mr. M. K. Raman.**—Will the Government be pleased to answer the following.—

During the regime of Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon as Commissioner of Police, how many non-caste Hindus were admitted in the Police Force as constables and Head-constables?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—9. Two Head-constables and seven constables.

Clerks in the Police Department

489. **Mr. M. K. Raman.**—Will the Government be pleased to state how many applications have been received from non-caste Hindus in the year 1101 for clerk's posts in the Police Head Office;

how many of them were entertained?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—Three.

None.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—The answer given is three, and none was appointed. Were there no vacancies when they applied?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—No.

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